

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated January 12, 200.

Claims 1-7 now in the application. Claims 8-24 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Specifically claim 1 was rejected as reciting a limitation "the statistical tests", which does have sufficient antecedent basis therein.

Further, Applicant notes with appreciation that Examiner Bockelman has indicated that claims 1-7 would be allowed if rewritten or amended to overcome the above-indicated rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

According to this recommendation, claim 1 has been amended to more precisely define the scope of the applicant's invention and to overcome the rejection set forth in the Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that in light of the foregoing Amendment and Remarks the present case is now in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. If any fee is required, Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of any

such fee to Deposit Account No.07-1730, Docket No. 3896-037. A duplicate copy of this communication is attached for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted

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